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FJJ-402 (CS-27618)

Regarding formation of newspaper Kokumin no Shimbun by JCP with support of many conservative and rightist individuals. These include MURATA Shozo and KUHARA Fusanosuke.

FJB-1010 (CS-62984) —

Indicates meeting held between KUHARA and Soviet Ambassador to India, Mikhail

A. Menshikov, chief Soviet Delegate to ECAFE Conference, on 9 Apr 55.

Meeting arranged by DOI Sukenobu, JCP member and repatriate from USSR.

ZJLA-324, 26 May 1949

WANG Wen Cheng (alias WANG Shih Ching) has again come to Japan and is living in

Hayama, Kanagawa-en. It is reported that his visit this time is in

connection with TANG En Po, General in command of the Nationalist 3rd Army,

and LUNG Tso Liang, alleged Chief of Staff to TANG En Po, who has come as

an aide of WANG's. WANG graduated from the Quartermaster School of the

Japanese Army in 1906 and then entered the financial field in China. In

1938 he was appointed president of the Japanese supported Federal Reserve

Bank in China and Chief of the Financial Section of the North China Provisional

Govt. Because of his background, WANG has numerous friends among the former

leading Japanese financiers and businessmen, such as KUHARA Fusanosuke

and AYUKAWA Giusuke and FUJIMAWA Aiichiro. It is being rumored in well-

informed Japanese circles that the mission of WANG is to obtain the help

of Japanese businessmen and financiers to organize and finance a Japanese

Volunteer Corps to strengthen TANG EnPo's army and to organize a trade

corporation to give economic assistance to TANG EnPo.

15 Sep 50, ZJLA-1169 quotes SHINSO No. 16, 15 Feb 50: Connects KUHARA with

WANG Tsu-hui (possibly alias for WANG Wen Cheng or vice versa). WANG is

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connected with YOKOYAMA YUI and KUHARA . WANG was spy for Japanese in China during war, now in smuggling.

Various reports indicating KUHARA's connections with Japanese rearmament groups.

ZJY-4141 indicates ChiNats in contact with KUHARA. 13 July 1951

ZJL-88, 13 August 1948:

Howard Handelman, INS correspondent, reported from Tokyo (probably 7 June 1948) that "Fusanosuke Kuhara, friend and financial supporter of right-wing ~~financed~~ military groups that forged Japan's foreign policy through violence and threat in the '30's, was approached by three top Communist Party leaders for an interview shortly after the Americans released him from Sugamo ~~was~~ prison where he had been held as a war criminal suspect. Kuhara turned them down, saying "the time is not yet ripe," but later he (told) this correspondent that in the final showdown the leaders of the Japan Communist Party would "act like Japanese first, then like communists."

"Left Wing, Right Wing" (Civil Intelligence Report) indicates HATOYAMA had vied with KUHARA and NAKAMIMA Chikuhei for leadership of the Seiyukai after the retirement of SUZUKI Kisaburo in 1939.